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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Jul-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 07/01/06	PREVIOUS WEEK 06/24/06
Broiler/fryer	171,348	165,999
Light hens	993	1,054
Heavy hens	174,015	1,633

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 24-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	107	0	107
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	83	0	83
Same week yr ago	148	0	148
To-date/2006	5,003	19	5,022
To-date/2005	6,947	33	6,980

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,126	1,557	2,683
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,108	1,684	2,792
Same week yr ago	1,806	1,572	3,378
To-date/2006	33,790	36,806	70,596
To-date/2005	45,811	34,554	80,365

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 24-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	166,972	1,019	1,557	2,576
Avg Wt	5.30	3.29	8.15	6.23
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	163,708	1,025	1,684	2,709
Same wk yr ago	171,159	1,658	1,572	2,230
Avg Wt	5.29	3.20	8.18	5.62
To-date/2006	4,033,494	28,787	36,787	65,574
To-date/2005	3,980,119	38,864	34,521	73,385

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.0 million head, or 4.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 14-Jun-06

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	24,530	22,459	54,458
Avg Weight	3.65	4.65	6.33
% of total /1	24%	22%	54%
Last week	26,117	20,797	56,914
Avg Weight	3.73	4.70	6.39
% of total /1	25%	20%	55%
Same week, yr ago /2	26,026	26,861	44,300
Avg Weight	3.74	4.78	6.41
% of total /1	27%	28%	46%
To date/2006	643,163	463,834	1,296,859
To date/2005	661,559	524,841	1,176,369

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 24-Jun-06
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,226	2,597	44	6	4,873
Avg Wt	16.63	37.35	32.42	28.49	27.83
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,188	2,629	27	8	4,852
Same wk yr ago	1,999	2,714	26	5	4,744
Avg Wt	16.06	37.14	27.21	30.79	28.20
To-date/2006	47,752	62,502	544	133	110,931
To-date/2005	41,708	63,684	543	71	106,006

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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